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THE WORLD TRADE CENTER

To: Anthony Cracchiolo, Engineer of Design, Airports & World Trade
Robert J. Linn

Date: May 20, 1987

Subject: WTC - CONTRACT WTC 115.221 - ASBESTOS ABATEMENT - FLOORS 10 & 11, 1 WTC - DWGS. & SPECS. FOR SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT - 74th FLOOR, 2 WTC

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This will confirm the verbal request of Mr. Montalbano to yourself to prepare construction drawings and specifications for a proposed supplemental agreement to the subject contract to remove asbestos from the 74th floor of 2 WTC.

This floor was to be turned over to Dean Witter this month for start of construction of their office finishes. The asbestos survey performed of the Trade Center revealed asbestos to exist in this space. A tentative agreement has been worked out between Dean Witter and the Port Authority for the Port Authority to remove the asbestos and the floor would then be returned to Dean Witter for them to proceed with their construction. This work is considered a priority item by World Trade as each week that the floor awaits removal of asbestos, $25,000 in rents are lost.

The drawings and specifications received from you will be given to the contractor for WTC 115.221. Assuming a satisfactory price can be agreed upon, a M/J will be prepared requesting the Executive Director to authorize a supplementary agreement as provided for in the Board Authorization of the contract.

Preliminary testing indicates the asbestos to exist only in the general office space area. The core area and exterior wall appear to be covered only with asbestos free material. Additional testing is being conducted to confirm these preliminary conclusions and to identify the approximate line along which the change takes place.

PLAINTIFF'S EXHIBIT PX-704.8

A recent search of the construction records associated with the Law Department's Asbestos Task Force brought to our attention that the floors above and below the mechanical equipment rooms were required to have rigid insulation applied to the underside of the floor slabs. The Contractor, Star Circle, WTC 110.00, requested to substitute spray-on insulation for the rigid insulation. The substitution was approved providing the spray-on material was given a Cafco Mark II overspray to achieve a hard coat. The indications thus far are that the basic spray-on insulation and fireproofing were asbestos free materials. The overspray to achieve the hard coat was an asbestos based material.

Staff from this department are available to work with your staff to expedite this work. Mr. Montalbano is coordinating the effort for World Trade.

Robert Lilly
Deputy Director for
Physical Facilities
World Trade & Economic Development

P.S. In addition to the above, a sketch and scope of work should be prepared to remove approximately 1,000 square feet of asbestos fireproofing on the 43rd floor of Tower B similar to that which was done for the 33rd floor of Tower B. Since Dean Witter is re-building the finishes on this floor, this is a prime opportunity to remove this asbestos. The contractor giving us a price for the 74th floor will also be asked for a price for this area. Location of the work will be identified by Frank Boyce.

With regard to the 74th floor, the replacement for the sound insulation between the MER and the office space should be at least equal in sound insulation quality to the material it is replacing.

R.J.L.